

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

Agent for Applicant respectfully requests the following amendments to the claims without adding any new subject matter, namely:

1. [Twice Amended] A multipurpose disc useful as a throwing, tugging, and chewing toy for play and exercise involving pets and for play and exercise involving pets and people, and useful as a water and food dish for pets, the disc comprising:

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- (a) a circular top portion;
 - (b) an annular sidewall portion that merges with said circular top portion;
 - (c) an annular flange portion that merges with said annular sidewall portion, the said annular flange portion and said circular top portions being disposed in parallel spaced planes;
 - (d) a convex outer side; and,
 - (e) a concave inner side
 - (f) thread fabric continuously disposed within said top, sidewall and flange portions for reinforcing said disc[.];
 - (g) said top, sidewall and flange portions are comprised of a resilient material for chewing by said pets
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2. [Twice Amended] The multipurpose disc as described in claim 1 wherein said annular flange portion presents an outer annular edge and said thread fabric extends to said outer annular edge.

3. [Twice Amended] The multipurpose disc as described in claim 2 wherein said top portion is flat and said annular flange portion has an annularly depressed trough formed where said annular flange portion merges with said annular sidewall portions on said convex outer side.

4. [Amended] The multipurpose disc as describe in claim 3 wherein said disc ~~is composed of a resilient material~~ top, sidewall and flange portions are comprised of rubber.

5. [Amended] The multipurpose disc as described in claim 4 wherein said thread fabric conforms in shape to said circular top portion, said annular sidewall portion, and said annular flange portion of said disc, is disposed centrally between thicknesses of said resilient material in said circular top portion, said annular sidewall portion, and said annular flange portion of said disc.

6. [Twice Amended] The multipurpose disc as described in claim 5 wherein said ~~re-enforcing member~~ threaded fabric is composed of flexible woven fabric.

7. [Amended] The multipurpose disc as describe in claim 6 1 wherein said resilient material is waterproof, durable, and flexible.

8. [Amended] The multipurpose disc as describe in claim 7 comprising natural or synthetic rubber.

9. CANCEL

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11. [Amended] A disc toy for a pet comprising a top portion presenting an annular sidewall portion depending and diverging away from said top portion so as to present a conical surface, and an annular flange portion merging with said annular sidewall

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portion, said flange and top portions lying in substantially parallel spaced planes, said annular flange portion presenting an annular outer edge, said top, annular sidewall and annular flange portions comprising rubber for chewing by said pet, and thread fabric continuously disposed internally within said top, sidewall and flange portions to said outer edge for reinforcing said disc toy, when said toy is tugged and chewed by said pet, said toy capable of being thrown ~~with said top portion~~ uppermost.

12. [Amended] ^c A disc toy as claimed in claim 11 wherein said toy ~~is flexible and soft and adapted to be~~ ^{is} capable of being chewed and tugged by said pet without ~~harm to said pet's mouth~~ harming the mouth of the pet.

13. [Previously Presented] A disc toy as claimed in claim 12 wherein said flange portion has an annular depressed trough adapted to be grasped by a user for throwing said toy.

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14 16. [Amended] A disc as claimed in claim ~~45~~ 13 wherein said thread fabric extends to said outer edge.

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15 18. [Amended] A disc toy as claimed in claim 11 wherein said thread fabric is disposed centrally between substantially equal thicknesses of said top, sidewalls and flange portions.

9 19. [Previously Presented] A multipurpose disc as claimed in claim 8 wherein said disc is vulcanized rubber capable of being chewed and thrown.

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20. [Amended]

A multipurpose disc as claimed in claim ⁹~~10~~ wherein said thread fabric permits bonding of said rubber to resist stretching and tearing when chewed and tugged by said pet~~s~~.

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21. [Amended]

A disc toy as claimed in claim 11 wherein said disc toy is flexible and foldable yet sufficiently rigid to maintain it's shape.

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22. [New]

A disc for a pet comprising:

- (a) a circular top portion;
- (b) an annular sidewall portion depending and diverging away from said top portion so as to present a conical portion;
- (c) an annular flange portion merging with said annular sidewall portion;
- (d) said flange and top portions lying in substantially parallel spaced planes;
- ^c (e) said top, annular sidewall and annular flange portions comprising resilient material for chewing and tugging by said pet without ^{the mouth of the pet} ~~harming said pet's mouth~~;
- ^c (f) fabric disposed within said top, annular sidewall~~s~~ and annular flange portions for reinforcing said disc when chewed and tugged by said pet.

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23. [New]

A disc as claimed in claim ¹⁷~~22~~ wherein said resilient material is rubber.

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24. [New]

A disc as claimed in claim ¹⁶~~23~~ wherein said disc is throwable.

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25. [New]

A disc as claimed in claim ¹⁹~~24~~ wherein said top portion and annular sidewall portion is adapted to retain water and food.

Kindly note that the claims have been amended so as to focus on:

1. the top, sidewall and flange portions are comprised of resilient material for chewing by the pet;
2. the top, annular sidewall and annular flange portions are comprised of rubber for chewing by said pet and thread fabric continuously disposed internally within the top, sidewall and flange portions to said outer edge for reinforcing said disc toy when the toy is tugged and chewed by the pet;
3. the top, annular sidewall and annular flange portion comprising resilient material for chewing and tugging by the pet without harming the pet's mouth and fabric disposed within the top, annular sidewall and annular flange portions for reinforcing the disc when chewed and tugged by the pet.